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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE POLITICAL CRISIS AND ALLIED DEMARCHES.

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1. LATE AFTERNOON AUGUST 26 FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMED ME THAT NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR TO PORTUGAL WOULD BE RETURNING TO LISBON TOMORROW WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO SEEK URGENT APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT DA COSTA GOMEZ. HE WILL STRESS IMPORTANCE THAT MAKE-UP OF PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT REFLECT WISHES OF PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY AS EXPRESSED IN RECENT ELECTIONS. HE WILL ALSO UNDERLINE NECESSITY OF MAINTAINING PURALISTIC SOCIETY. FONOFF CONSIDERS SITUATION IN PORTUGAL AS HIGHLY FLUID AND DUTCH AMBASSADOR'S DEMARCHE WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT VIEWS OF ANTUNES AND SOARES.

2. I WAS TOLD THAT NETHERLANDS FONMIN VAN DER STOEL PERSONALLY TOOK THESE DECISIONS IN LIGHT VERY URGENT WASHINGTON VIEWS I CONVEYED EARLIER THIS AFTERNOON (REFTEL).

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